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# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of September 4 through September 9, 2007.

# **TUESDAY**

09/04/2007

# (1) DUTY STEWARD

Marie Peluso was the duty Steward this week and has recorded the minutes for this reporting period.

#### (2) NO SCRATCH TIME

There was no scratch time since there was no racing on Thursday, September 6, 2007.

### (3) ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY

Ten races were drawn at 1:00 p.m. for Friday's program, consisting of one Arabian, two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races.

#### (4) CAL-BRED REPORT

The CAL-BRED race written for maidens three years old and up, going 300 yards failed to fill with three entries.

# **WEDNESDAY**

09/05/2007

#### (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES FOR FRIDAY

Friday's scratches were conducted at 9:00 a.m. There were no declarations, three jockey changes and one weight change.

#### (2) ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY

Eleven races were drawn at 12:00 p.m. for Saturday's program, consisting of one Arabian, eight Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

#### (3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The CAL-BRED race written for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$3,200, going 220 yards failed to fill with two entries.

# **THURSDAY**

09/06/2007

# (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES FOR SATURDAY

Saturday's scratches were conducted at 9:00 a.m. There were no declarations and four jockey changes.

#### (2) ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY

Nine races were drawn at 11:35 a.m. for Sunday's program, consisting of seven Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

# (3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The CAL-BRED race written for maidens, three years old and upward, claiming price \$6,250, going 300 yards failed to fill with zero entries.

#### (4) NO RACING

There was no racing Thursday night.

#### FRIDAY 09/07/2007

#### (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES FOR SUNDAY

Sunday's scratches were conducted at 9:00 a.m. There were no declarations and one jockey change.

#### (2) BERRY HEARING CONTINUED (CASE# 07LA0019) (REFER 05/19/07)

The hearing for Mr. Rick Berry was conducted. Steve Schwartz, counsel for Mr. Berry, reintroduced his two "motions in limine." The motions requested the dismissal of the charges against Mr. Berry, arguing that there is no "specific" rule of the California Horse Racing Board to address the EHV-1 Quarantine that Berry has been alleged to have violated.

Following argument, presentation of evidence and witness testimony, the hearing was adjourned for decision.

#### (3) MARTINEZ RULING

#### **RULING # 196**

HAVING SATISFIED A DEBT TO EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE, OWNER LUIS MARIO MARTINEZ IS HEREBY RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. RULING #255 ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 18, 2006, FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR, IS HEREBY SET ASIDE.

The above ruling was issued after the Stewards received confirmation that Mr. Martinez satisfied his debt.

# (4) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 2 <u>JDF Boot</u> (Tr. A. Farias) horse ID, Stewards. Refund: \$828.00.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Make It Rhythm (Tr. D. Luna) needs work, Stewards.

Refund: \$336.00.

#### (5) CHANGES

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 7 Agency, Jorge Cortez replaced Cesar De Alba.

#7 Agency, claimed, Tr. Charles Treece.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 5 Chicatini, claimed, Tr. Dan Francisco.

#8 Fantasy Sign, claimed, Tr. Mike Jones.

#9 Checkthissabra, claimed, Tr. Yanet Rodriguez.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 1 Hez My Runner, claimed, Tr. Jim Hanson.

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 One Cool Fly, Abel Ramirez replaced by Joel Cruz (personal).

#### (7) NO PROBLEMS

The evening's ten race program was conducted smoothly with no major reportable incident.

#### (8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

 On Track Attendance:
 1,186
 On Track Handle:
 \$218,577

 Off Track Attendance:
 3,328
 Off Track Handle:
 \$472,101

 Total:
 4,514
 Out of State:
 \$614,948

 Total:
 \$1,305,626

#### SATURDAY

09/08/2007

# (1) ENTRIES FOR THURSDAY

Eight races were drawn at 11:25 AM for Thursday's program, consisting of one Arabian, one Thoroughbred, and six Quarter Horse races.

# (2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-bred race written for Maiden Fillies, two years old, going 350 yards, failed to fill with two entries.

### (3) HEARING MULLINS (CASE # 07LA0161)

Trainer Jeff Mullins appeared by telephone concerning the above referenced complaint. Mr. Mullins waived his right to counsel and stated he was ready to proceed.

Present were Investigators Tom Blake, and Dennis Drulias, who presented the case. Also present were Stewards Slender, Dreyer, and Peluso.

Trainer Mullins stated that he understands the Trainer Insurer Rule and that even though his assistant handled the transfer of the horse; he is willing to take responsibility for the mistake.

After reviewing documentary and testimonial evidence, the hearing was adjourned for decision.

#### (4) JOCKEY MEETING

The Stewards met with the Jockey Colony in the Stewards' office to review films and discuss mutual concerns. Also present was Darrel Haire from the Jockey's Guild. Among topics discussed were safe riding, and mechanisms for film review in the future.

Many jockeys were present. The meeting was productive, and additional weekly meetings are expected.

#### (5) PARTIN RULING

#### **RULING # 197**

TRAINER JERRY E. PARTIN IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1865 (ALTERING SEX OF HORSE) ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2007.

The above Ruling was issued after Mr. Partin appeared by phone to discuss failure to report the gelding at the time of entry.

#### (6) LATE DECLARATIONS

There were no Declarations for Saturday night's race card.

# (7) RACE 1 - INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards immediately posted the inquiry sign following the running of the First race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) to review an incident at the start. Involved were # 3 "Legend of Tramore" (jockey Alex Bautista), # 4 "Straw Flyin Sneaker" (jockey Carlos Huerta), # 5 "RGR Hugo Noblesse" (jockey Rodrigo Aceves.

After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed that the # 3 drifted out bumping the # 4 horse, pushing the # 4 & # 5 horses and interfering so as to cause the # 4 & # 5 horses to loose stride, ground, and position.

The #3 was placed last, behind #5 because he cost both #4 & #5 horses a chance at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: 9,8,7,6, (3),1,4,2,5 Order of Finish After DQ: 9,8,7,6,1,4,2,5, (3)

#### (8) NO PROBLEMS AFTER FIRST RACE

The remaining 10 races were completed without noteworthy incident.

# (9) CHANGES

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 9 <u>Halftime Seperator</u>, claimed Tr. Justin Clark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 7 Happy Barretts, jockey Jose Dominguez replaced Antonio Castanon.

# 1 Colten's Legend, claimed Tr. Keith Craigmyle.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Clever Cahill, jockey Ramon Guce replaced Joel Cruz.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Begin Zoomin, Claimed Tr. Antonio Soto.

#### (10)ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

 On Track Attendance:
 1372
 On Track Handle:
 \$236,689

 Off Track Attendance:
 3239
 Off Track Handle:
 \$508,665

 Total:
 Out of State:
 \$703,758

 Total:
 \$1,449,113

#### SUNDAY 09/09/2007

## (1) TROEGER HEARING (CASE # 07LA0162)

Assistant Trainer Robert Troeger appeared before the Board of Stewards concerning the above-referenced complaint. Mr. Troeger waived his right to counsel and stated he was ready to proceed.

Mr. Troeger stated that he did not know about the 24-hour rule for horses coming from a farm, and he acknowledged that he made a mistake.

After reviewing documentary and testimonial evidence the hearing was adjourned for decision.

#### (2) SEVERINSEN HEARING (CASE # 07LA0162)

Trainer Allen Severinsen appeared before the Board of Stewards by telephone concerning the abovereferenced complaint. Mr. Severinsen waived his right to counsel and stated he was ready to proceed.

Mr. Severinsen admitted he wrote "Pony" on the transfer form, claiming he made a mistake.

After reviewing the documentary and testimonial evidence the hearing was adjourned for decision.

#### (3) MULLINS RULING (CASE # 07LA0161)

# **RULING # 198**

TRAINER JEFF MULLINS IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (c&j) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), #1588 (HORSE INELIGIBLE TO START IN A RACE), #1597 (ASSOCIATION TO MAINTAIN RECORDS OF HORSES ON ITS GROUNDS), AND #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION).

The Above Ruling was issued after Mr. Mullins appeared telephonically before the Board of Stewards, and admitted a mistake was made.

#### (4) TROEGER RULING (CASE # 07LA0162

#### **RULING # 199**

ASSISTANT TRAINER ROBERT B. TROEGER IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (c&j) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), #1588 (HORSE INELIGIBLE TO START IN A RACE), #1597 (ASSOCIATION TO MAINTAIN RECORDS OF HORSES ON ITS GROUNDS), AND #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION) ON AUGUST 19, 2007.

The above Ruling was issued after Mr. Troeger appeared telephonically before the Board of Stewards and admitted that he made a mistake.

# (5) SEVERINSEN RULING (CASE # 07LA0162)

#### **RULING # 200**

TRAINER ALLEN SEVERINSEN IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (500.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1481 (a&b11) (OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES AND FEES), #1489 (c&j) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), #1588 (j) (HORSE INELIGIBLE TO START IN A RACE) #1597 (ASSOCATION TO MAINTAIN RECORDS OF HORSES ON ITS GROUNDS), AND #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION.)

The above Ruling was issued after Mr. Severinsen appeared telephonically before the Board of Stewards and admitted that a mistake was made. Tr. Severinsen indicated that he was in the process of obtaining a proper License for horse transport.

# (6) JOCKEYS APPEAR

Jockeys Rodrigo Aceves and Juan Andrade appeared before the Board of Stewards to discuss questionable riding from the prior night's card.

Mr. Aceves acknowledged that his mount in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Race was "getting out". He will make a better effort to maintain a straight course.

Mr. Andrade was reminded that even if his horse breaks poorly, as it did in the 6<sup>th</sup> Race, he is to stay down on his mount and finish the race, even if he believes his horse will finish last.

# (7) LATE DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 7 Think It Over (Tr. H. Sanchez) sick, Dr. Guillen.

Refund: \$198.00

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 8 Random Guy (Tr. J. Enriquez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$152.00

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 <u>Dashing Michael</u> (Tr. G. Morales) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$38.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Pritzi Miss (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Guillen.

Refund: \$182.00

#### (8) RACE 3 - INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards immediately posted the Inquiry sign following the running of the third race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) to review an incident near the 1/16 pole. Involved were # 3 "Brandi's Starlite" (jockey Victor Navarro), # 6 "Breezing Home" (jockey Eulices Gomez) and # 1 "River Lane" (jockey Jimmy Vail).

After speaking with the riders involved, and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed that # 3 "Brandi's Starlite" (Jockey V. Navarro) swerved out under left-handed urging crossing in front of # 6 "Breezing Home" (Jockey Eulices Gomez) causing # 6 to take up. As a result, the # 1 "River Lane" (Jockey J. Vail) caught # 6 and beat # 6 for a second by a nose.

The #3 was placed behind #6 because he cost the #6 a chance at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: (3), 1, 6, 4, 5, 7, 2 Order of Finish After DQ: 1, 6, (3), 4, 5, 7, 2

#### (9) CHANGES

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 2 Lady Kamala, jockey Monty Hermoso replaced Antonio Castanon

# 3 <u>Brandi's Starlite</u>, claimed Tr. Charles Treece # 5 <u>Incredible You</u>, claimed Tr. Jaime Gomez # 6 Breezing Home, claimed Tr. William Morey

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Storm War, claimed Tr. James Glen, Jr.

# 3 Pixie Irish, jockey Ramon Guce replaced Jose Dominguez

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Credit For Cash, claimed Tr. Jose Dominguez

# 7 Pinkiefox, claimed Tr. Keith Craigmyle

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Captain Sachmo, claimed Tr. James Glen, Jr.

# 4 Take it Anywhere, jockey Cody Jensen replaced Alejandro Luna

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Love to Finish First, jockey Juan Andrade replaced Ramon Sanchez

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Flyin Formation jockey Joel Cruz replaced Alejandro Luna

# 4 Buzz Word Junior jockey Juan Andrade replaced Ramon Sanchez

# 9 Sailin for Cash, claimed Tr. Jose Flores

# (10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

 On Track Attendance:
 749
 On Track Handle:
 \$192,315

 Off Track Attendance:
 2516
 Off Track Handle:
 \$521,362

 Total:
 3265
 Out of State:
 \$553,634

 Total:
 \$1,267,311

# VETERINARIAN <u>RECOMMENDED</u> SCRATCHES

<u>Date</u>	Race	No	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	Reason	<u>Vet</u>	Refund
9/9/2007	1	7	Think it Over	H. Sanchez	Sick	Guillen	\$198
	6	8	Random Guy	J. Enriquez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$152
	7	7	Dashing Michael	G. Morales	Sick	Hackathorn	\$38
	9	6	Pritzi Miss	J. Nunez	Sick	Guillen	\$182
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# TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on September 9, 2007.

No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries.

During this reporting period ten horses were added to the Veterinarian list as follows: four for soundness, zero for injury and six for sickness.

Nine horses previously on the Veterinarian's list were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Marie Peluso.

# **CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

# **SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	WEEK	MEET
				09/06	09/07	09/08	09/09	TOTAL	TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	17
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	31
CLAIMS			R		5	3	8	16	70
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K			0	1	1	2	60
INQUIRIES	D				0	1	1	2	119
REFUNDS		A			2	0	4	6	555
RULINGS			Y		1	1	3	5	200

Stewards' Attendance: George Slender, Marie Peluso, and James Dreyer were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

Marie Peluso (Steward)
James Dreyer (Steward)
George Slender (Steward)